



**Request for City Council Committee Action
From the City Attorney's Office**

Date: December 2, 2013

To: Ways & Means/Budget Committee

Subject: Scheduling of a Public Hearing pursuant to Minneapolis Code of Ordinances, § 15.210

Recommendation: That the Ways & Means/Budget Committee set a public hearing for the appointment of Ethical Practices Board finalist JP Hagerty on December 11, 2013.

Previous Directives: None

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Presenter in Committee: Susan L. Trammell, Assistant City Attorney

Financial Impact: No financial impact

Background/Supporting Information

Three Minneapolis citizens serve on the Minneapolis Ethical Practices Board. The members are appointed by an Appointing Committee for the Ethical Practices Board made up of the Chief Judge of Hennepin County, the Dean of the University of Minnesota Law School and the Dean of St. Thomas School of Law. The Appointing Committee is recommending reappointment of JP Hagerty for an additional three year term to end

The Ethics Code requires the Appointing Committee to forward the name of a finalist for a vacancy to the City Council members and the Mayor to start the running of a thirty day period for submission of comments about the finalist to the Appointing Committee. This letter, dated December 2, 2013, was forwarded to the City Council and Mayor. The comment period will expire January 3, 2013. Comments may be made directly to the Appointing Committee members or to the Ethics Officer who will forward any comments received to the Appointing Committee.

In addition to the comment period, the Ethics Code, section 15.210, requires a public hearing to solicit public input on the finalists. The Ethics Officer respectfully requests the Ways & Means/Budget Committee schedule the public hearing on December 11, 2013. The public portion of Ms. Hagerty's Ethical Practices Board applications is attached.